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: Spain

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: Data on Spanish m/v Covadonga

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- 1. The Spanish m/v Covadonga was launched as the Monasterio de la Rabida and is so listed in "List of Uncoded Foreign Merchant Ships."
- 2. Ship's Characteristics:

a. Type:

Passenger (plus general cargo)

b. Tonnage:

Gross: 10,225.88 (long tons)
Net: 8,048.82 (long tons)
Dead Wt.: 8,400.00 (long tons)
Displacement: 14,800.00 (long tons)

c. Dimensions:

Length (B.P.) 138.75 meters

Beam: 18.92 meters

Depth: 12.1 meters (top of stem to keel line)

d. Draft:

Full load: 26' 3½"
Light load: 12' 9½"

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Hull type code: 10 FILE

f. MFKCR sequence: KKRMFKK

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3. Propulsion:

a. Engines: One (1) Sulzer 2-cycle, 10 cylinder, 7300 H.P. diesel

engine.

b. Boilers: Auxiliary only, one (1) Clarkson vertical boiler.

c. Fuel:

Type: Gas, oil, or diesel oil

Capacity: 1000 long tons

Daily consumption

at cruising speed: 27 long tons

d. Speed:

Maximum: 18 knots or more (estimate)

Cruising: 17 knots (@ 132 RPM)

4. History:

a. Built:

Place: Bilbao, Spain

Year: 1953

Builder: Compania Euskalduna

Original name: Monasterio de la Rabida

b. Owners: Compania Transatlantica Espanola S.A. (Spanish Line)
Madrid

5. Personnel:

a. Officers and crew: Total complement, 129 (19 officers, 110 crew)

Barcelona, Spain

b. Passenger capacity: 353 (105 first class, 248 cabin class)

6. Radio call letters: ECAB

c. Port of Registry:

7. Special equipment:

a. RDF: "Radiogoniometre MG-2, Standard Electrica S.A."

b. Surface radar: "Kelvin-Hughes, Display Unit Type 2A"

c. Fire prevention system: "Fuego, Avisador Guardian"

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One (1) three-ton Heavy lift:

Twenty (20) five-ton

Two (2) ten-ton

Two (2) forty-ton (on board, not installed)

Sperry gyroscope Other:

Echo sounding device

8. None (no deck provision for gun installation) Armament:

Ten (10) wooden 60-passenger boats on davits, one of 9. Landing craft:

which is equipped with motor and radio.

10. Smoke stack markings: Black, no markings

11. Condition:

> Cleanliness: Good

Apparent material condition:

Good

c. General appearance of crew:

Good

Available for inspection and selection in Graphics Register are two photos of subject ship. 7

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